

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of :  
Jerome A. Mouton, Jr. et al.

Application No.: 09/295,690

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For: Method and Apparatus for Upgrading a  
Database in a Redundant Environment by  
Release Chaining

Examiner: Jean B. Fleurantin

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2008, applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows and that the following remarks be considered.